cd in the Patriot, dated the 24th October, 1988 to the effect that under the new US economic and military aid programme the modified/upgraded U.S. F-16s war planes are being acquired by Pakistan which could operate the next generation air-to-air and air-fo-surface weapons systems;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) what steps are being taken to meet the situation; and

(&) whether the issue has been taken up by Government with the US Government"

(HE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (S H R I K. NATWAR SINGH); (a) Yes, Sir.

fib*) The report has not been officially - confirmed.

(c) Appropriate measures ar etaken at ill times to ensure the country's security.

(d) Frcm time to time Government have conveyed to the U.S. Government India's serious concern about *the* supply of sophi sticated U.S. arms to Pakistan.

I.I.T. graduates- returning from abroad

*100. SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI; Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a study undertaken by the Ministry has indicated that only 20 per cent of LJ.T. graduates, who go abroad, return India after studies; and

lb) if so, what steps are proposed to be taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RE SOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) and (b) According to the report of the 11T Review Com mittee, on an average 20 per cent of the 1JT graduates go abroad. A large percen tage of these graduates eventually return to India.

A Statement indicating the measures taken by Government to attract back those settled abroad is laid on the Table of t'ne Sabha.

Statement

Measures taken by Government to attract back those settled abroad

1. Programmes have been launched ill rough which 'core' groups of scientists are created in the country with all necessary modern facilities required for purv-ing research in new and frontier areas of science.

2. There is a provision for temporary placement of scientists and technologists under the scheme of Scientists Pool.

3. A provision has also been made for creation of supernumerary posts.

4. Facilities to import equipment have been provided to the scientists and tech-nologists returning from abroad.

5. With a view to assisting non-resident Indians to secure expeditious clearance of their applications for setting up of industrial, units in tbe country, a Special Cell has been created in the Ministry of Industry.

6. Delegations of enhanced administrative and financial powers have been made to scientific institutions to improve working conditions of scientists.

7. New scientific departments/organi tions such as Departments of Biotechnology, Ocean Development, Environment, Non-conventional Energy Sources, Centre for Development of Telematics etc. have been set up and some of these are in high tchnology areas, which are likely to provide opportunities for scientists and technologists and attract them into the country.

8. Total outlay for science and tech-nology has been increased in the successive Five Year Plans.